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**Subject:** E-Clips for 2/2/2016

## HOUSE E-CLIPS 02/02/16



### **LABOR-BACKED GROUP REMINDS OHIOANS OF UNION LAW'S DEFEAT**

A labor-backed group that helped defeat collective bargaining restrictions in Ohio says it's using the five-year anniversary of the union law to remind supporters to stay active and engaged in its efforts.

### **OHIO SUPREME COURT HEARS INJURY LAWSUIT OVER POLICE CHASE**

The Ohio Supreme Court will hear arguments in the case of a woman who sued police over injuries she suffered after a high-speed chase ended with a burglary suspect colliding with her car.

### **OHIO PROSECUTOR SEEKS NEW LAW ON POLICE USE-OF-FORCE PROBES**

A county prosecutor in Cleveland wants the Ohio Legislature to amend state laws to allow the Ohio attorney general to present deadly police use-of-force cases to grand juries.

### **OHIO COURT APPROVES CLASS ACTION IN SPEED CAMERA CASE**

A state appeals court approved class action status on Monday for thousands of motorists fined for speeding in a southwest Ohio village with citations issued from automatic camera enforcement.

### **LEGAL COSTS INVOLVING CONVICTED OHIO JUDGE COULD REACH \$1.7M**

The cost of court cases brought for and against a juvenile court judge in southwest Ohio who was convicted of a felony charge after a legal battle over her election as judge could reach nearly \$1.7 million.

**The Columbus Dispatch**  
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**WITH FOCUS NOW ON NEW HAMPSHIRE, FOR KASICH IT'S DO OR DIE**

Ohio Gov. John Kasich knows his presidential campaign won't survive a poor showing in next week's New Hampshire primary, and his schedule reflects it.

#### **GROVE CITY SENDS 'PUPPY MILL' BILL BACK FOR MORE WORK**

The sponsor of legislation that would have banned the sale of "puppy mill" animals in Grove City withdrew the proposal Monday night, vowing to come up with "a clean ordinance."

#### **OHIO'S HIGHER PRESCHOOL SPENDING STILL LAGS MOST STATES**

Ohio's spending on public preschool programs increased this year, like most states.

#### **KASICH TO MAKE HEAVY PUSH IN NEW HAMPSHIRE AHEAD OF PRIMARY**

It's do or die for Ohio Gov. John Kasich's presidential campaign over the next week in New Hampshire, and his schedule reflects it.

#### **OHIO POLITICS NOW: A LOOK AT IOWA AND BEYOND TO NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Now that people are finally going to start voting (or caucusing as the case is in Iowa today) we get a look at how much the presidential candidates have to get their word out to voters.

#### **OHIO POLITICS NOW: 'THE REAL RACE BEGINS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE' KASICH CAMPAIGN SAYS**

A couple of surprises from the Iowa caucuses could affect how Ohio Gov. John Kasich fares in the New Hampshire primary one week from today.

#### **KASICH GETS MOST OF HIS CAMPAIGN CASH FROM OHIO**

Ohio Gov. John Kasich may not be leading most other presidential candidates in fundraising, but he can take some comfort in the fact that he's doing far better than any of them in the state that twice elected him governor.

#### **MARY TAYLOR COMMITTEE RAISED \$146,500 LAST YEAR**

Onward Ohio, the nonprofit political organization formed by Republican Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor to elevate her visibility ahead of a potential run for governor in 2018, raised six-figures in a few months.

**Dayton Daily News**  
[www.daytondailynews.com](http://www.daytondailynews.com)

#### **KASICH DONORS INCLUDE SCHWARZENEGGER**

Former California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger was among the \$2,700 donors to Republican Gov. John Kasich's presidential campaign committee, records filed with the Federal Election Commission Sunday show.

## **THE PLAIN DEALER**

#### **JOHN KASICH'S TEAM ON IOWA CAUCUS FINISH: 'THE REAL RACE BEGINS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE'**

Ohio Gov. John Kasich had no expectations for the Iowa caucuses.

### **IOWA IN THE BOOKS, NEW HAMPSHIRE IS NEXT, AND JOHN KASICH IS ALREADY LOOKING TO SOUTH CAROLINA: OHIO POLITICS ROUNDUP**

Iowa is done. New Hampshire is next. John Kasich smacks down his super PAC.

### **PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES JOIN JOHN KASICH ON NEW HAMPSHIRE CAMPAIGN TRAIL: WHAT TO WATCH FOR TUESDAY**

With the Iowa caucuses over, many presidential candidates will spend Tuesday in New Hampshire, including Republicans Jeb Bush, Chris Christie, Ted Cruz, Marco Rubio, and Donald Trump, as well as Democrats Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders.

### **REPUBLICAN LOBBYING FIRM OPENS CLEVELAND OFFICE, HIRES TOP CUYAHOGA GOP OFFICIAL**

A Republican lobbying firm with Cleveland roots is expanding its presence here by opening a Playhouse Square office and hiring Cuyahoga County's top GOP official.

## **THE ENQUIRER**

### **IOWA CAUCUS SURPRISES MAY HURT JOHN KASICH'S NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY EFFORT**

John Kasich gained only about 2 percentage points in the Iowa caucus Monday night, but so did his top rivals, boosting his campaign's hope for a strong showing in New Hampshire.

### **TWO GOPERS FEUD OVER LIQUOR CABINET**

GOP challenger Courtney Combs says Rep. Wes Retherford treated the statehouse like a frat house, but the incumbent argues that one drink cabinet in his office wasn't improper.

### **IN NH, KASICH ADS LEAD TO ANGST**

John Kasich says his rivals should follow his lead and call on the super PACs supporting them to take down negative advertisements.

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### **KASICH DIGS IN FOR FINAL STRETCH IN N.H.**

Gov. John Kasich has started his final week in New Hampshire, banking on a breakout performance for his presidential aspirations.

### **CVS TO SELL OVERDOSE ANTIDOTE TO ANYONE**

Christa Lammers told a packed audience of politicians, local law enforcement, health-care workers, and substance abuse officials Monday that her brother Jeffrie Shirey, 37, was a heroin addict.

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### **OHIO HIGH COURT PACKS DRILLING RIGHTS IN YEARS-LONG CASE**

A years-long battle over oil and gas leases ended last month when the Ohio Supreme Court upheld contract language that underpins drilling rights on thousands of properties across the state.

### **ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER HELPS KASICH CAMPAIGN WITH MAX DONATION**

Republican Gov. John Kasich's presidential campaign committee and the independent organization supporting him spent \$11.4 million during the final three months of last year as part of his effort to finish among the top three contenders in next week's New Hampshire primary.

### **EDITORIAL: STATE LEGISLATOR BELITTLES OPPONENT**

The photo caught our eye, not only because we thought it was cute, but also because it showed the dedication state Rep. Christina Hagan, R-Marlboro Township, has for her job.

**From:** Maxwell, Dan  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 18, 2016 3:28 PM  
**To:** House\_All  
**Subject:** Request for Co-Sponsorship – Paid Parental Leave



#### MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members  
FROM: Representative Christie Kuhns and Representative Janine Boyd  
DATE: February 18, 2016  
RE: Request for Co-Sponsorship □ Paid Parental Leave

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We will soon introduce legislation to create the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program. Beginning in 2020, the program will provide 12 weeks of family and medical leave benefits, which will permit individuals to care for a family member, bond with a new child, or address their own serious health condition.

Out of 178 countries worldwide, the United States is one of three that does not provide paid leave to new mothers. Only two states, California and New Jersey, offer paid leave to men and women who provide care. The federal Family Medical Leave Act provides 12 weeks of leave for family and medical reasons. This time is unpaid and employers with fewer than 50 employees are exempt, which eliminates a large segment of workers. Ohio should lead on the issue of paid leave to grow our economy and allow working people to put family first.

The program will be under the purview of the Department of Job and Family Services. An individual would receive leave insurance benefits for: a health condition which makes him/her unable to perform their job duties; caring for a new child during after birth, adoption, or foster care placement; caring for a child, parent, or spouse who has a serious health condition; or the individual is taking any other leave as authorized by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act. In order to be eligible for program benefits, an individual must file a claim with ODJFS; must have worked at least 680 hours during the base period; premiums

have been withheld and remitted for at least one year; and the leave must be for the above-mentioned purposes.

Once established, program benefits will be paid by assessing premiums on employees. Employers will be required to deduct and withhold premiums from employees' wages. However, an employer may opt to pay the contributions on behalf of employees.

An employee who is covered by an employer policy or collective bargaining agreement that provides the employee with greater leave than that provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act may elect not to participate in the Program in accordance with rules adopted by the Director. An employee who elects to opt out of participating in the Program is not liable for any premium or contribution that would otherwise be due under the Program.

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If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dan Maxwell, at 466-1645 or via email at [Dan.maxwell@ohiohouse.gov](mailto:Dan.maxwell@ohiohouse.gov). **The deadline to co-sponsor is Monday February 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.**

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**Subject:** JLEC Memo on Political Conventions  
**Attachments:** 2016 JLEC Memo on Political Conventions.pdf

**Importance:** High

To All House Republican Members and Staff:

Attached you will find the 2016 JLEC memorandum on attending a political convention. With the Republican National Convention being located in Cleveland in July, there will likely be many members and staff who decide to attend the convention in various capacities, as well as many different receptions and other events associated with the convention. The attached JLEC memo will help explain the ethics implications of many of the situations that may arise during the convention.

The most important detail to remember regarding the Republican National Convention is that it is a **campaign event**. The exemption that applies to the meetings of national conferences that the General Assembly pays dues to (such as NCSL, ALEC, CSG, etc) **does not apply to the Republican National Convention.**

There will be many different situations that arise regarding the convention. Please contact me if you have any questions.

**Michael Lenzo**  
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#### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Senate and House Caucus Counsel

**From:** Office of the Legislative Inspector General

**Date:** April 26, 2016

**RE:** *Attendance at National Political Party Nominating Conventions*

Members of the General Assembly and legislative staff may be in attendance at the presidential nominating convention ("political convention") for their respective political parties later this summer. In addition to the actual convention, many events will be held in the host cities (RNC - Cleveland and DNC - Philadelphia) at the same time. These events are likely to be hosted by a variety of different organizations. The purpose of this memo is to review the limitations on what may be accepted and the reporting requirements for Members and legislative staff in attendance.<sup>1</sup> This information is applicable to those in attendance whether as Delegates or as general attendees.

#### **I. Financial Disclosure Requirements – Meals and Beverages:**

Members and legislative employees<sup>2</sup> must identify the source of all **official** meals and beverages where the value exceeds \$100, aggregated per calendar year in *Section 10: Meals, Food and Beverages* on their financial disclosure statement. Only meals *incurred in connection* with the person's official duties must be reported on the financial disclosure statement. In order for a meal to be *incurred in connection* with the person's official duties, it is necessary that the functions are related to, or associated with, the individual's position as a public official or employee. Attendance at a political convention is not related to, or associated with, a person's official duties with the General Assembly. Therefore, meals and other food and beverages

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provided to a Member or legislative employee at a political convention are not incurred in connection with their official duties and do not count toward the \$100 threshold.<sup>3</sup>

## **II. Financial Disclosure Requirements – Meals and Beverages from Lobbying**

### **Sources:**

Meals and beverages provided to a Member or legislative employee directly from an Ohio legislative agent or the employer of an Ohio legislative agent, will be reported by the legislative agent or employer regardless of whether the meals and beverages were related to official duties. Meals and beverages provided by a legislative agent to a Member of the General Assembly or legislative staff while attending a political convention count towards the \$75 annual limit. **The “national conference exception,” often referenced when discussing Ohio’s ethics and lobbying laws, does not apply to political party nominating conventions.**

Members and all legislative staff are reminded that they are prohibited from accepting more than \$75, aggregated per calendar year, in meals and beverages from a legislative agent.<sup>4</sup> This limit does not apply to meals and beverages from the employer of a legislative agent.<sup>5</sup> A Member’s or legislative employee’s name will be included in a legislative agent’s Activity and Expenditure Report, if he or she accepts more than \$50 in meals and beverages from the legislative agent in a calendar year.<sup>6</sup> Meals and Beverages received from the employer of a legislative agent are reportable from \$0.01. A Member or legislative employee whose name appears on a lobbying expenditure report will include this information on his or her financial disclosure statement, under *Section 11: Non-disputed Information*.

*Please note:* Meals and beverages provided at an All-Invited Event do not count towards the \$75 annual limit or trigger the reporting of a recipient’s name on a lobbying report. An All-Invited Event is a dinner, party, or reception to which all Members of the General Assembly, or all Members of either chamber of the General Assembly, are invited to attend. An event need not be exclusive to General Assembly Members to be considered an All-Invited Event.<sup>7</sup>

## **III. Financial Disclosure Requirements – Gifts:**

Members and legislative employees must identify the source of a gift where the value of the gift or gifts, aggregated per calendar year exceeds \$75 (or if received from a legislative agent, \$25) in *Section 9: Gifts* on their financial disclosure statement.<sup>8</sup> Members and all legislative

<sup>3</sup> Generally, receptions are considered to fall under the meal section where the main purpose of the event is for social gathering and not entertainment, even assuming there is some type of background entertainment. However, where the main purpose is entertainment (i.e., a well-known band is hired to perform a concert), that would be considered a gift.

<sup>4</sup> R.C. 102.031(C)(2); § 5(B)(2) Legislative Code of Ethics.

<sup>5</sup> To determine whether an expenditure is attributable to a legislative agent or an employer, the Ohio Legislative Inspector General (OLIG) uses a “point of sale” test. From the perspective of the recipient, the OLIG asks: “at the time of the expenditure, who would the recipient say paid for or provided the expenditure?” See Ohio Lobbying Handbook, at 46.

<sup>6</sup> Legislative Agents may spend up to \$50.00 aggregated per calendar year per reportable person without itemizing the expenditure. See Ohio Lobbying Handbook, at 41.

<sup>7</sup> R.C. 101.73(D).

<sup>8</sup> R.C. 102.02(A)(2)(g). Generally, a gift provided to a spouse is for the use or benefit of the Member or employee (i.e., spouse is receiving the gift because he or she is the spouse of the Member or employee).



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staff are reminded of the prohibition on accepting more than \$75, aggregated per calendar year, in gifts from a legislative agent.<sup>9</sup> A legislative agent or employer of a legislative agent who provides a gift valued at more than \$25, must report the Member or legislative employee as the recipient of a gift on their corresponding Activity and Expenditure Report.<sup>10</sup> In turn, a Member or legislative employee whose name appears on a lobbying expenditure report will include this information on his or her financial disclosure statement, under *Section 11: Non-disputed Information*.

**A. Charitable Fundraisers – Tickets:**

A non-political fundraiser is one held by a non-profit charitable organization. A ticket to a non-political fundraiser where the source of the ticket is the entity hosting the event is not a gift for lobbying or financial disclosure reporting purposes.<sup>11</sup> However, Members and legislative staff are reminded that a complimentary ticket to a non-political fundraiser where the source of the ticket is a third party is a gift.<sup>12</sup> Where the source of the complimentary ticket is a third party, the value of the ticket is the portion of the ticket price that is not a tax-deductible charitable donation.<sup>13</sup>

**B. Political Fundraisers – Tickets:**

Regarding the acceptance and reporting of tickets to political fundraisers, Members and legislative employees are reminded that a ticket to a political fundraiser given to a Member or legislative staff by a person other than the candidate or committee on whose behalf the fundraiser is being held is a gift.<sup>14</sup> The value of which, is the actual face value of admission.<sup>15</sup> However, complimentary attendance at a political fundraising event is not considered a gift if the source of the complimentary admission is the candidate/committee hosting the event.<sup>16</sup>

**C. Reporting of Social Events Held by the Political Parties During the Political Conventions:**

During the political conventions, the national (RNC/DNC), state (Ohio Republican Party/Ohio Democratic Party), and/or local political parties will also likely hold non-fundraising social events as part of the political conventions. The costs incurred for the social events may be offset by financial support provided to the national, state, or local political parties from third parties, including those who are registered lobbyists or the employers of registered lobbyists. Where the Member or legislative employee is invited by a national, state, or local political party to attend the event hosted by the party, the source of the gift for financial disclosure statement reporting purposes is the party organization hosting/inviting the Member

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Therefore, the amount of the gift must be added to the amount, if any, of the gift received by the Member or employee.

<sup>9</sup> R.C. 102.031(C)(3); § 5(C) Legislative Code of Ethics.

<sup>10</sup> Admin. Code 101-9-01(D)(2).

<sup>11</sup> 2000 JLEC Advisory Op. 2000-002; See R.C. 102.02(A)(2)(g).

<sup>12</sup> 2014 JLEC Advisory Op. 2014-003; See R.C. 102.02(A)(2)(g).

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<sup>14</sup> *Id.*

<sup>15</sup> 2000 JLEC Advisory Op. 2000-002.

<sup>16</sup> *Id.*

or legislative reportable person. Mere financial support provided by sponsors to the national, state, or local political parties does not trigger financial disclosure or lobbying reporting by those sponsors.

#### **IV. Prohibition – Travel:**

Members and legislative staff are prohibited from accepting travel expenses<sup>17</sup> from a legislative agent **except actual travel expenses related to official duties**, which Members and legislative employees must identify under *Section 8: Travel* on their financial disclosure statement.<sup>18</sup> Travel payments or reimbursements made to a Member or legislative employee for attendance at a presidential national convention **are not incurred in connection with their official duties**. As such, except for each car trip under 50 miles one way, Members and legislative staff are prohibited from accepting actual transportation/lodging expenses from a legislative agent for any travel related to attendance at a political convention.<sup>19</sup>

Please note that travel expenses paid for or reimbursed **by a campaign committee** are not considered gifts for financial disclosure purposes. These reimbursements will be reported in campaign finance reports, thus serving the public interest of full and fair disclosure. Reasonable, ordinary, necessary and verifiable expenses for a candidate/officeholder and spouse to attend a party's national convention are considered to be legitimate campaign fund expenditures.<sup>20</sup>

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<sup>17</sup> For ethics purposes, travel is defined as lodging and any transportation by airplane, train, or common carrier regardless of the distance and any transportation by automobile, for each trip which exceeds 50 miles per trip, one way. Lodging encompasses the following: (1) A stay of one or more nights in a commercial establishment or (2) A stay of one or more nights in a noncommercial private dwelling. As to noncommercial private dwellings, this includes residences owned in whole or in part by a legislative agent. See 1997 JLEC Advisory Op. 97-006.

<sup>18</sup> R.C. 102.031(C)(1); R.C. 102.03(H); § 5(B)(1) Legislative Code of Ethics.

<sup>19</sup> If a Member or legislative employee accepts travel from a non-prohibited source, he or she will report the entity as the source of a gift.

<sup>20</sup> Ohio Elections Commission Advisory Opinion 96ELC-09, available at <http://elc.ohio.gov/AdvisoryOpinion/96ELC-09.pdf>.

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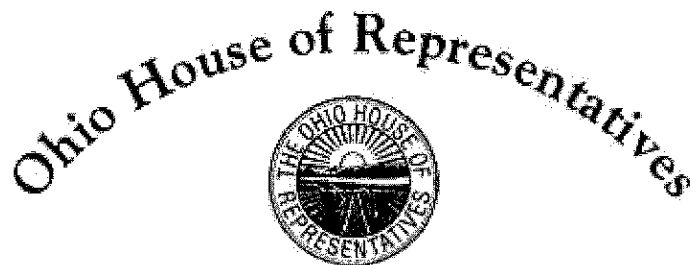
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